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# Town Clerk's Report

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## BIRTHS

1931

<b>1</b> Jan.	2	Lillian Fredia Messeck
<b>2</b> Jan.	17	Carol Rowena Witherell
<b>3</b> Feb.	7	Raymond George Sarafin
<b>4</b> Mar.	30	Elizabeth Asenath Norris
<b>5</b> May	8	Leah May Burdo
<b>6</b> June	24	Herbert Franklin Williams
<b>7</b> July	6	Gladys Muriel Shaw
<b>8</b> Sept.	26	Stanley Mitchell Teed
<b>9</b> Sept.	27	Francis Henry Loud
<b>10</b> Oct.	3	Andrew Lavallee
<b>11</b> Dec.	12	David Allan Cole

## DEATHS

1931

		Cause	Age
<b>1</b> Jan.	2	Ida Ophelia Dickinson	72-3-12
		Arterio Sclerosis	
<b>2</b> Oct.	19	Arthur T. Edwards	60-0-23
		Lobar pneumonia	

## MARRIAGES

1931

<b>1</b> Jan.	7	Howard F. Loud	Westhampton, Mass.
		Dorothy E. Wentworth	Amherst, Mass.
<b>2</b> Jan.	17	Frederick W. Snape	Northampton, Mass.
		Jane Tylczak	Westhampton, Mass.
<b>3</b> June	27	Herbert William Prew	Middlefield, Mass.
		Ella Francis Cottrell	Middlefield, Mass.
<b>4</b> July	18	Alexander Adam	Northampton, Mass.
		Agnes (Rhoades) Manning,	Northampton, Mass.
<b>5</b> Oct.	7	Philip H. Sargent	Haverhill, Mass.
		Gladys F. Corson	Haverhill, Mass.

6 Oct.	24	Daniel Webster	Bangor, Maine
		Jessie A. Young	Haverhill, Mass.
7 Dec.	5	Harold A. Myrick	Westhampton, Mass.
		Rose Ella Hayden	Westhampton, Mass.
8 Dec.	12	Morris Pliny Clark	Chesterfield, Mass.
		Marion Estelle Lyman	Northampton, Mass.

## FISH AND GAME LICENSES—1931

### DR.

44	Sporting Licenses at \$2.75	\$121.00	
3	Duplicate Sporting Licenses at 50c	1.50	
		<hr/>	\$122.50

### CR.

To Division of Fisheries and Game

44	Sporting Licenses at \$2.50	\$110.00	
3	Duplicate Licenses at 50c	1.50	
44	License Fees at 25c to Town Treasurer	11.00	
		<hr/>	\$122.50

## DOG ACCOUNT—1931

### DR.

June 1st, 1931

36	Male dogs at \$2.00	\$72.00	
4	Female dogs at \$5.00	20.00	
		<hr/>	\$92.00

### CR.

	Check to County Treasurer	\$84.00	
40	Fees to Town Treasurer at 20c	8.00	
		<hr/>	\$92.00

### DR.

Nov. 1st, 1931

19	Male dogs at \$2.00	\$38.00	
3	Female dogs at \$5.00	15.00	
		<hr/>	\$53.00

### CR.

	Check to County Treasurer	\$48.60	
22	Fees at 20c to Town Treasurer	4.40	
		<hr/>	\$53.00

RALPH S. BRIDGMAN,

Town Clerk,

By G. I. F.

Westhampton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1931

I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and find them correct.

E. H. MONTAGUE,  
Auditor.

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## Treasurer's Report

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### 1931

Balance Jan. 1st, 1931	\$7,061.99
Temporary Loan No. 3	3,000.00
Taxes, Property—Real Estate, 1931	8,975.21
Taxes, Polls, 1931	230.00
Taxes, Old Age, 1931	115.00
Taxes, Excise, 1931	582.25
Taxes, Property, Real Estate, 1930	1,196.93
Taxes, Excise, 1930	38.88
Taxes, Excise, 1929	.30
Taxes, Property and Real Estate, 1929	30.48
Taxes, Interest, 1931	9.14
Taxes, Interest, 1930	38.58
Taxes, Interest, 1929	2.46
Mass. Highway Commission	7,125.00
County Treasurer, Highway Division	750.00
County Treasurer, Dog Refund	90.70
County Treasurer, Wildcat Bounty	10.00
Interest, Thayer Fund	45.50
Interest, Wright Fund	59.00
Interest, Cemetery Funds	45.49
Interest, Totman Fund	100.00
Interest, Whiting Street Fund	62.80
Interest, Bank Account	67.13

Mass. School Fund	1,211.79	
Income Tax, 1931	1,038.00	
Income Tax, 1930, P. S.	.42	
Corporation Tax, 1931, Public Service	111.53	
Corporation Tax, 1931, Business	.82	
Superintendent in Small Towns	114.88	
High School Tuition, Special Cases	1,392.50	
High School Transportation, Special Cases	1,745.80	
National Bank Tax	2.39	
Veterans Exemption	16.40	
Income Tax, 1931, Educational	600.00	
Tuition, State Children, 1930	141.00	
Tuition, State Children, 1931	236.80	
Aid to Industrial Schools, 1931	203.60	
Franklin Howard, North-east School		
Property—Balance	200.00	
Inspection of Animals	7.50	
Refund, Sec. 7, Chap. 122, 1931	1,250.00	
Refund, Henry Clapp, dynamite	8.40	
Refund, M. Todd, dynamite,	1.60	
Refund, C. Payson, School Transportation	11.20	
Town Clerk, Fees, License, etc., 1931	28.40	
Sealer's Fees	4.87	
Pedler's License, 1931	3.00	
Victualer's License, 1931	1.00	
Levi Burt, Sale of Old Oil Tank	5.00	
Levi Burt, Sale of Bridge Material	2.00	
Highway Dept., Tractor Account	744.00	
Town of Chesterfield, Tractor Account	179.00	
Town of Huntington, Tractor Account	162.00	
F. W. Blakesley, Tractor Account	12.00	
	<hr/>	\$39,072.74

DR.

1931		
Paid Selectmen's Orders, 1931	\$21,735.17	
Paid School Committee Orders, 1931	9,017.06	
Balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1932	8,320.51	
	<hr/>	\$39,072.74
Due on 1931 Taxes, Property and Real Estate		\$1,509.19
Due on 1931 Excise		\$62.15

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## FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY TOWN

### INTEREST WITHDRAWN IN 1931

\$2,000.00	Lucy Langdon Totman, Cemetery	\$100.00
500.00	O. C. Bridgman, Cemetery	22.75
100.00	M. G. Strong, Cemetery	4.55
100.00	George Burt, Cemetery	4.55
100.00	S. C. Cook, Cemetery	4.55
100.00	Samuel Edwards, Cemetery	4.55
50.00	D. L. Brown, Cemetery	2.28
50.00	C. N. Loud, Cemetery	2.26
1,000.00	Wright, Worthy Poor	59.00
1,380.85	Whiting Street, Worthy Poor	62.80
1,000.00	Thayer, Half to Town, Half to Parish	45.50

### TRACTOR ACCOUNT

Expense to Dec. 31, 1926	\$176.00
Apr, 7, 1927	113.74
Apr, 7, 1927-Dec. 31, 1927	
Expense 1927	\$278.74
Income 1927	604.50
Balance Jan. 1, 1928—\$325.76	
Expense 1928	\$157.50
Income 1928	558.00
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	\$400.50
Balance Jan. 1, 1929—\$726 26	
Income 1929	\$628.50
Expense 1929	280.43
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	\$348.07
Balance Jan. 1, 1930—\$1,074.33	
Income 1930	\$415.50
Expense	178.99
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	\$236.51

Balance Jan. 1, 1931—\$1,310.84

\$1,000.00 Taken from Account for Grader

## TRACTOR AND GRADER ACCOUNT

	Balance \$310.84	
Combined Income 1931		\$1,097.00
Combined Expense 1931		474.28
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		\$622.72
Balance Jan. 1, 1932--	\$933.56	

GILBERT I. FLINT,  
Treasurer.

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Westhampton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1931

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct, showing disbursements to the amount of Thirty thousand seven hundred fifty-two dollars and twenty-three cents (\$30,752.23), for which vouchers are on file and a balance of Eight thousand three hundred twenty dollars and fifty-one cents.

Due from J. C. Williams, Collector:

1931 Excise Tax, Sixty-two dollars fifteen cents (\$62.15).

1931 Personal and Real Estate Tax, One thousand five hundred and nine dollars and nineteen cents (\$1,509.19).

E. H. MONTAGUE,  
Auditor.

# Selectmen's Report

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## TOWN OFFICERS

J. C. Williams, Collector, 1930	\$150.00	
E. H. Montague, Auditor, 1930	10.00	
M. M. Clapp, Cattle Inspector	26.00	
F. W. Blakesley, Selectman	41.25	
F. W. Blakesley, Assessor	58.50	
J. C. Hathaway, Selectman	40.80	
J. C. Hathaway, Assessor	75.75	
Levi Burt, Selectman	35.25	
Levi Burt, Assessor	38.25	
Livy S. Richards, Moderator	5.00	
J. C. Williams, Collector, 1928	40.00	
J. C. Williams, Collector, 1929	40.00	
Ralph S. Bridgman, Clerk	75.00	
J. C. Williams, Collector, 1931	100.00	
J. C. Williams, School Comm., 1931	30.00	
J. C. Williams, Constable	4.00	
Mrs. G. I. Flint, School Comm.	25.00	
Mrs. G. I. Flint, School Census	10.00	
G. I. Flint, Treasurer, 1931	125.00	
M. M. Clapp, Meat Inspector	30.00	
J. C. Williams, Sealer	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$969.80

## CHAPTER 81—HIGHWAYS

F. W. Blakesley	\$590.67
W. D. Blakesley	67.95
Cornelius Benson	204.75
Philip Theroux	55.80
Frank Kelly	290.25
H. M. Clapp	107.60
Elliot Blakesley	30.60
Theodore Theroux	133.65
Robert Clapp	40.18

Leslie Shaw	377.10
I. O. Shaw	115.20
Ernest Shaw	13.00
Frank Foucha	64.80
William Howard	148.05
W. M. Fiske	125.80
Frank Niles	306.00
Harry T. Lester	21.60
Ernest Witherell	84.23
C. R. Burt	187.80
Levi Burt	102.50
E. J. Hathaway	79.10
Joseph Sarafin	79.65
Ira Aldrich	74.25
James Aldrich	54.25
Geo. H. Burt	356.20
John Tylczak	56.25
Clifford Graves	7.65
A. E. Delisle, Jr.	224.40
A. T. Edwards	8.00
G. W. Graves	17.00
H. J. Payson	126.50
Joe Tylczak	33.75
A. W. Frey	57.60
C. G. Loud	11.60
Arthur Curtis	4.50
J. C. Hathaway	3.00
W. R. Witherell	99.90
A. E. Witherell	12.00
E. A. Montague	3.60
Franklin Howard	19.80
Howard Blakesley	9.90
Howard Williams	2.70
Peter Boucher	1.80
Charles Stickney	3.60
M. M. Clapp	4.50
J. L. Muldoon Co., trucking line post	18.90
Tractor and Grader	744.00
Cornelius Benson, 91 yds. gravel	9.10
Obed Blakesley, 26 yds. gravel	2.60
J. R. Clapp, 35 yds. gravel	3.50
I. O. Shaw, 12 yds. gravel	1.20
Robert Clapp, 10 yds. gravel	1.00



F. W. Blakesley, 1515 yds. gravel	151.50	
Ernest Witherell, 137 yds. gravel	13.70	
Ada Williams, 6 yds. gravel	.60	
Joseph Sarafin, 144 yds. gravel	14.40	
M. B. Tyler, scraper blade	9.50	
Repairs on road machine	14.30	
R. F. Mutter Co., sewer pipe	1.80	
Foster Farrar Co., 3 bush scythes	6.75	
Mass. States Prison, 9 line posts	21.60	
New England Culvert Co., culverts	327.52	
		<hr/> \$5,761.00

#### CHAPTER 90—WORK

F. W. Blakesley	\$328.50
E. J. Hathaway	119.70
Donald B. Lyman	82.80
C. R. Burt	192.80
Howard F. Williams	123.30
Howard W. Blakesley	123.30
John Tylczak	119.70
Joe Tylczak	119.70
Theodore Theroux	119.70
Fred Lavalley	119.70
A. W. Frey	119.70
H. J. Payson	256.50
Joseph Sarafin	94.50
Levi Burt	132.00
Geo. H. Burt	99.75
Philip Theroux	59.40
Ira Aldrich	10.80
Cornelius Benson	31.50
W. M. Fiske	220.00
W. J. Stanton	28.80
A. E. Delisle	96.00
Frank Kelly	27.90
Frank W. Niles	27.90
Chas. R. Stickney	27.90
Aaron Fisher	3.00
A. E. Witherell	32.00
Bisbee Bros., stone boat	8.00
J. Russell Co., Inc., 1 bar	1.91
J. Russell Co., Inc., 1 doz. shovels	16.05
New England Culvert Co.,	174.05

Foster Farrar Co., case dynamite	17.00	
Foster Farrar Co., 1 box electric exploders	4.50	
Foster Farrar Co., 2 pick handles	1.00	
New England Culvert Co.	4.40	
Aaron Fisher, 340 yds. filling at 5c	17.05	
Aaron Fisher, 556 yds. gravel at 10c	55.60	
F. A. Loud & Son, 25 gals. K. oil	3.75	
Jim Brown, roll of fence	7.40	
Geo. H. Burt, lime	.50	
	<hr/>	\$3,028.06

## BRIDGES

### Bridge at Clapp's Meadow

Fred Lavalley	\$55.80	
Joe Sarafin	59.40	
E. J. Hathaway	19.80	
H. W. Blakesley	41.40	
H. F. Williams	41.40	
C. R. Burt	112.85	
Geo. H. Burt	126.15	
Levi Burt	71.40	
Herman Robetallie	25.20	
Theodore Theraux	10.80	
Geo. H. Payson	23.40	
Clifford Payson	1.80	
H. J. Payson	6.00	
Chas. R. Stickney	10.80	
Frank Niles	10.80	
M. M. Clapp	8.00	
C. R. Burt, freight on steel	2.59	
Levi Burt, 20 lbs. nails at 6c	1.20	
Joe Sarafin, 37 yds. gravel	3.70	
A. E. Witherell, lumber	17.32	
F. W. Blakesley, 125 yds. gravel	12.50	
Levi Burt, 12 bolts for railing	.75	
Bisbee Bros., 84 bags cement	46.20	
W. N. Potter Grain Co., 80 bags cement	44.00	
Concrete Steel Co., reinforcing bars	39.70	
Palmer Steel Co., bridge beams	256.00	
Frank Loud, lumber	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,049.96

### Bridge at Sarafin's

Joseph Sarafin, labor on bridge	\$3.60	
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### Bridge at Geo. H. Burt's

G. H. Burt, labor	\$7.20	
224 ft. lumber at \$25	5.60	
9 posts	1.80	
	<hr/>	\$14.60

### SNOW REMOVAL

F. W. Blakesley	\$194.00	
Chas. C. Blakesley	3.60	
W. D. Blakesley	20.25	
Geo. H. Knight	8.55	
C. R. Burt	30.00	
Meredith Knight	5.40	
Claude Seymour	10.35	
Frank Foucha	7.88	
Myron Hathaway	.68	
H. M. Clapp	27.45	
A. E. Witherell	54.20	
D. W. Crowley	2.00	
Leslie Shaw	2.25	
C. M. Norris	7.80	
Frank Kelly	25.20	
M. M. Clapp	2.00	
W. M. Fiske	11.00	
Ernest Shaw	4.00	
I. O. Shaw	1.00	
A. W. Blakesley	19.00	
Arthur Searl	2.70	
Philip Thereaux	2.03	
Walter Witherell	1.00	
Peter Boucher	5.85	
G. H. Burt	7.20	
Joe Sarafin	7.20	
M. M. Barcomb, repairs on plow	21.00	
O. P. Parks Co., 2 snow shovels	2.00	
Richard Warran	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$495.59

## TRACTOR AND GRADER

M. B. Tyler Co.	\$111.92	
M. B. Tyler Co., oil	55.55	
Manchester Forbes Co.	5.56	
Standard Oil Co., gas	199.22	
J. Hugh Pierce	.95	
G. I. Churchill	1.60	
Earl R. Witkop	26.40	
Chas. C. Blakesley	9.75	
C. R. Burt, exp. and grease gun connection	1.84	
H. M. Clapp, truck	2.00	
H. S. Allis Co., supplies for grader	24.47	
B. Rosenbloom, 5 gals. oil	3.40	
Graves Garage	10.90	
F. W. Blakesley, labor	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$463.56

## HALL ACCOUNT

Western Counties Elec. Co., lights	\$28.49	
H. B. Lyman Co., repairs on furnace	1.55	
C. R. Burt, 1 cord wood	8.00	
G. H. Knight, janitor	47.70	
Levi Burt, lock and labor	3.00	
Levi Burt, ½ doz. light bulbs	1.55	
H. J. Payson, truck on steps	16.50	
J. C. Hathaway, labor	34.00	
Fred Baxter, labor	40.00	
C. R. Burt, truck, labor and mixer	14.00	
Joe Sarafin, gravel	.50	
Florence Feed Co., 40 sacks cement	28.00	
A. E. Witherell, lumber	24.09	
	<hr/>	\$247.38

## PUBLIC WELFARE

Case No. 7, cash	\$64.00
2½ tons coal	39.50
1 cord wood, W. M. Fiske	8.00
Case No. 2	
State Infirmary	365.00
Case No. 5	
State Child Guardianship	276.43



Case No. 8		
To City of Northampton, cash	5.00	
Fuel	8.70	
Provisions	16.00	
	20.35	
	<hr/>	\$802.98

#### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Case No. 2	\$65.15	
Case No. 1	40.00	
Case No. 3	55.00	
	<hr/>	\$160.15

#### PRINTING AND SUPPLIES

Carter Ink Co., record ink	\$1.63	
P. B. Murphy, Clerk's supplies	2.25	
Enterprise Printing Co., 200 Reports	34.65	
Times Publishing Co., Assessors' supplies	3.60	
Hobbs & Warren, Assessors' supplies	1.69	
Enterprise Printing Co., Coll. supplies	4.00	
H. S. Gere & Sons, Inc., dog notice	3.30	
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., record book	10.20	
J. C. Williams, Coll. supplies	15.12	
Hobbs & Warren, Assessors' supplies	5.66	
Enterprise Printing Co., 500 school orders	8.25	
Enterprise Printing Co., 300 tax bills	3.75	
	<hr/>	\$94.10

#### MEMORIAL DAY

E. H. Montague, Memorial Day expense	\$34.72	
	<hr/>	\$34.72

#### CONTINGENT FUND

F. A. Loud, abatement Excise Tax	\$2.61	
William Howard, bobcat bounty	10.00	
Chas. H. Chase, real estate transfers	3.20	
F. W. Blakesley, telephone calls	2.05	
F. W. Blakesley, postage	2.50	
F. W. Blakesley, express	1.75	
G. I. Flint, certifying note	2.00	

Registration grader	2.00	
C. D. Ruse, 3 constable's badges	2.78	
Leslie Shaw, Excise abatement	.71	
Westhampton Water Co., tank	10.00	
New England Culvert Co., blade for grader	8.72	
Levi Burt, postage, telephone, postage	2.28	
	<hr/>	\$50.60

#### INTEREST AND BONDS

Henry A. Bidwell, Clerk's bond	\$5.00	
Sanders Forbes Co., Treas. bond	10.00	
Sanders Forbes Co., Coll. bond	15.00	
Interest on revenue note	82.50	
	<hr/>	\$112.50

#### INSURANCE

E. L. Lewis, on weights and measures	\$17.07	
E. L. Lewis, Town Hall	45.03	
E. L. Lewis, Workmen's Insur.	21.56	
E. L. Lewis, Workmen's bal. due on 1930,	106.70	
	<hr/>	\$190.36

#### THAYER FUND

J. C. Williams, Coll. ½ fund	\$24.00	
P. J. Clapp, Treas. Parish ½ fund	24.00	
	<hr/>	\$48.00

#### TAXES

Old Age Assistance	\$115.00	
County Tax	1,305.18	
State Tax	450.00	
Special Tax	8.38	
	<hr/>	\$1,878.56

#### LIBRARY

National Library Binding Co.	\$16.40	
Marion M. Mascho	75.00	
E. H. Montague, wood	18.81	
Bridgman & Lyman, books	5.00	
Springfield News Co.	25.49	
	<hr/>	\$140.70

### SNOW FENCE

G. L. Barrus, posts	\$66.80	
C. R. Burt, freight	1.04	
A. E. Delisle, Jr., lumber for fence	28.87	
	<hr/>	\$96.71

### GYPSY MOTH

Leslie Shaw	\$59.75	
Frank Niles	57.60	
Frank Kelly	57.60	
	<hr/>	\$174.95

### STREET AND WRIGHT FUNDS

Street Fund	\$62.80	
Wright Fund	59.00	
	<hr/>	\$121.80

### CEMETERY FUNDS

Julia E. Montague, Treas.	\$145.49	
	<hr/>	\$145.49

### NOTE EASTHAMPTON BANK

Revenue Note	\$3,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000.00

### NEW GRADER

H. S. Allis Co., Inc.	\$2,650.00	
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Total Selectmen's Orders	<hr/>	\$21,735.17
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### RECAPITULATION

Town Officers	\$969.80
Highways, Chap. 81	5,761.00
Highways, Chap. 90	3,028.06
Bridges	1,068.16
Snow Removal	495.59
Hall Account	247.38
Tractor and Grader	463.56
Public Welfare	802.98
Old Age Assistance	160.15
Printing and Supplies	94.10
Memorial Day	34.72
Contingent Fund	50.60

Interest and Bonds	112.50
Insurance	190.36
Thayer Fund	48.00
Taxes	1,878.56
Library	140.70
Snow Fence	96.71
Gypsy Moth	174.95
Street and Wright Funds	121.80
Cemetery Funds	145.49
Revenue Note	3,000.00
Grader	2,650.00
	<hr/> \$21,735.17

### LIST OF JURYMEN WHO SERVED IN 1931

Arthur Dodge, Grand  
Henry M. Parsons, Traverse  
A. Lyman Snow, Traverse

All overdrafts of appropriations were taken from reserve fund.

LEVI BURT,  
F. W. BLAKESLEY,  
JOHN C. HATHAWAY,  
Selectmen.

### BUDGET RECOMMENDED FOR 1932

Schools	\$9,500.00	L
Bridges and Railings	1,000.00	1200.00 L
Highways, Chap. 81	750.00	L
Highways, Chap. 90	750.00	L
Town Officers	800.00	L
Public Welfare	850.00	L
Old Age Assistance	750.00	L
Board of Health	100.00	L
Interest and Bonds	125.00	L
Town Hall	150.00	L
Insurance	200.00	L
Printing and Supplies	100.00	L
Gypsy Moth	175.00	L
Snow Removal	400.00	L



Contingent Fund	100.00	<i>L</i>
Reserve Fund	<i>From treas.</i> 400.00	<i>L</i>
Memorial Day	25.00	<i>L</i>
Library, Dog and	50.00	<i>+ 100</i>
Tractor and Grader Balance in Treasury		
of earnings from each	933.56	<i>L</i>
	<u>1508.56</u>	

Westhampton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1931

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, having drawn orders to the amount of Twenty-one thousand seven hundred thirty-five dollars and seventeen cents (\$21,735.17) for which proper vouchers are on file.

EDWARD H. MONTAGUE,  
Auditor.

## Report of the Assessors

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Town Appropriation	\$16,735.00	
State Tax	450.00	
Parks and Conservation	8.38	
Old Age Assistance	115.00	
County Tax	1,305.18	
Overlay	63.42	
	<hr/>	\$18,676.98
Estimated Receipts	\$5,925.81	
Cash from Treasury	1,950.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,875.81
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Net amount raised on Polls and Property		\$10,801.17
Personal Valuation	\$112,000.00	
Real Estate Valuation	271,010.00	
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Total Assessed Valuation		\$383,010.00
Tax on Personal Estate	\$3,057.60	
Tax on Real Estate	7,398.82	
Tax on 115 Polls	230.60	
Old Age Assistance, 115 at \$1.00	115.00	
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Total Tax Levy		\$10,801.42
Tax Rate		\$27.30
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax		\$672.16
No. of Motor Vehicles assessed		125
Tax Rate, Motor Excise		\$29.25

### FROM THE TABLE OF AGGREGATES

	1931	1930	1929
No. Horses Assessed	79	90	96
No. Cows Assessed	297	256	251
No. Sheep Assessed	0	0	2

No. Neat Cattle Assessed	149	183	114
No. Swine Assessed	6	4	19
No. Dwelling Houses Assessed	131	126	123
No. Fowls Assessed	2060	2449	1570
No. Acres Land Assessed	16194	15825	15987

LEVI BURT,  
F. W. BLAKESLEY,  
JOHN C. HATHAWAY,  
Assessors.

# Report of School Committee

1931

Appropriation	\$9,000.00	
Refund on transportation	11.20	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	6.35	
	<hr/>	\$9,017.55
Expended		9,017.06
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Unexpended		.49

## EXPENSES

### Teachers:

Mrs. Mary E. Cushing	\$1,100.00	
Mrs. Dorothy L. Harwood	897.00	
Mrs. Marion Mascho (substitute)	116.00	
Mrs. Gertrude Flint (substitute)	4.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,117.00

### Retirement fund:

Mrs. Harwood	\$55.00	
	<hr/>	\$55.00

Superintendent's salary	\$270.00	
Superintendent's traveling expenses	15.00	
	<hr/>	\$285.00

### Tuition of High School pupils:

Olive Gagnon	\$100.00
Beatrice Foucha	100.00
Pearl Delisle	100.00
Adelle Stickney	100.00
Ida Church	100.00
Louis Tylczak	100.00
Elizabeth Flint	100.00
Ruth Gagnon	100.00
Madalene Tylczak	100.00
Helen Blakesley	100.00



Gladys Gagnon	100.00	
Arlene Flint	100.00	
Hugh Cook	100.00	
Sophie Sarafin	92.50	
	<hr/>	\$1,392.50
Tuition of Smith School pupils:		
Clarence Delisle	\$135.00	
Ernest Delisle	146.25	
Clifford Payson	45.00	
	<hr/>	\$326.25
Tuition at other schools:		
Chesterfield—Russell and		
Edwin Dodge	\$144.00	
Continuation—Alice Robitaille, East-		
hampton	44.88	
	<hr/>	\$188.88
Transportation of High School pupils:		
Olive Gagnon	\$85.60	
Beatrice Foucha	135.20	
Ida Church	144.80	
Adelle Stickney	143.20	
Pearl Delisle	142.40	
Ruth Gagnon	144.00	
Louis Tylczak	143.20	
Elizabeth Flint	140.80	
Gladys Gagnon	141.60	
Hugh Cook	142.40	
Madalene Tylczak	144.00	
Helen Blakesley	88.00	
Sophie Sarafin	109.60	
Arlene Flint	137.60	
Marian Blakesley	54.40	
Donald Williams	55.20	
Richard Williams	54.40	
Smith School:		
Clarence Delisle	135.20	
Ernest Delisle	137.60	
Clifford Payson	36.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,315.20
Local transportation:		
Charles Blakesley	\$960.00	
Leslie Shaw	725.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,685.00

School supplies :

Lyons & Carnahan—books	\$11.70	
Ginn & Co.—books	10.35	
Milton Bradley Co.—pencils and paper	38.33	
Dowling School Supply—pencils	3.62	
Papercrafters, Inc.—paper	1.43	
Newson & Co.—books	1.29	
John C. Winston—books	1.94	
	<hr/>	\$68.66

Janitors :

J. C. Williams—cleaning floors	\$7.00	
Donald Williams—building fires	20.00	
Marian Blakesley—sweeping	10.00	
Jane Gagnon—sweeping	20.00	
Theresa Theroux—sweeping	10.00	
Myron Foucha—building fires	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$87.00

Repairs and upkeep :

R. E. Davies & Son—plumbing	\$5.05	
J. A. Sullivan—supplies	2.35	
W. H. Patterson—repairs to toilet	2.80	
O. L. Hendrick—repairs to toilet	12.80	
Western Co. Electric	20.27	
J. C. Williams—cellotex and boards	5.80	
Manchester Co.—floor oil	2.50	
H. F. Mascho—repairs to faucet	1.00	
Max Wagner—oiling floors	1.00	
Town of Easthampton—desks and chairs	42.00	
	<hr/>	\$95.57

Fuel :

H. M. Clapp	\$121.00	
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Miscellaneous :

Westhampton Water Co	\$13.00	
Hamp. Co. Public Health Ass'n—Nurse	140.00	
James B. Ryan, M. D.—school physician	100.00	
Mrs. Helen J. Coleman—school nurse	12.00	

Mrs. Mary E. Cushing—musical instruments	5.00	
Herbert F. Mascho—rent of playground	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$280.00
Total		<hr/> \$9,017.06

#### RECEIPTS

Received on School Account:

From the State:

Superintendent in small towns	\$114.88	
High School tuition	1,392.50	
Mass. School Fund #1	600.00	
Mass. School Fund #2	1,211.79	
High School transportation	1,745.80	
Vocational education	203.60	
State wards	377.80	
	<hr/>	\$5,646.37

Net cost to town		<hr/> \$3,359.49
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JARED C. WILLIAMS,  
GERTRUDE E. FLINT,  
JOHN C. HATHAWAY,  
School Committee.

Westhampton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1931

I have examined the accounts of the school committee, and find that they have drawn orders, and have vouchers for the same to the amount of nine thousand seventeen dollars and six cents (\$9,017.06).

EDWARD H. MONTAGUE.  
Auditor.

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee:

I herewith submit my seventh annual report of the schools of Westhampton.

In the last seven years the record has shown a marked increase in the number of pupils in attendance. The whole number enrolled last year shows a net gain of 35% over the enrollment of 1925. The whole enrollment of the present year to date is 83, which is 6 more than that of last year. Fourteen pupils were in high school and 3 in vocational school, making a total of 100 pupils in school during the fall term. Since the population of Westhampton was given in the last census as 374, school pupils constitute 26.7% of the entire population. This is an unusually high figure.

The primary room has been severely taxed to take care of the large numbers of lower grade pupils. Should these numbers continue, it may be advisable if not necessary to open a third room another year. At the present time three fair-sized rooms could be maintained.

The following figures show the attendance record since 1925:

	Whole Number	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per- centage of Attendance
1925	57	53.39	48.34	90.5
1926	54	51.51	48.45	94.1
1927	60	56.15	53.74	95.7
1928	60	56.04	52.17	93.0
1929	68	63.83	59.30	92.9
1930	72	65.73	60.42	91.9
1931	77	70.09	67.43	96.2

The high percentage of attendance is a source of gratification.

In these days of financial depression the costs of

schools is an important item. There are 355 cities and towns in the state which are divided into four groups. Westhampton is in group four, consisting of towns of less than 5,000 population and not maintaining high schools. There are 124 towns in this group. For the year ending December 31, 1930, the town spent from local taxation alone \$35.87 per pupil. Its rank in the group is 122. For the same year the cost per pupil from all sources of income was \$79.09 with a rank of 112. In other words, in group four only two towns spent less on schools from local taxation and 12 spent less when all sources of income were included.

Health officials have been active in holding clinics of various kinds and in giving tests.

I wish to thank all who have helped in carrying on the work of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT D. CASEY



## Report of the School Nurse

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From the opening of the schools in September to January 1, 1932, three and one-half days were devoted to school nursing.

The yearly vision tests were made in September.

The Red Cross loaned us the use of their audiometer for hearing tests and these were given in October. We found six children who should have further examination as to their hearing, and with the permission of their parents, they will be given an opportunity to attend a clinic in Northampton, conducted by Dr. J. D. Collins.

In December the School Physician, Dr. J. B. Ryan, gave the Schick test to all those who were given the toxin-antitoxin in May. Those who were read as positive will have a chance to receive a second course of inoculations, later in the school year.

I wish to extend my thanks for the cooperation received from the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, School Physician, Teachers and Parents.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN K. COLEMAN.

## Report of the Memorial Library

The new Edwards-Thayer Memorial library, in which are housed the books of the Westhampton Reunion Library, was completed and occupied late in May, 1931, on the site donated by Mrs. Vera Chapman Clapp, in memory of her parents.

It was designed by Karl S. Putnam of Northampton and is considered by the State Library Commission as one of the best examples of simple colonial architecture and of small library design in the State. It is frequently studied by building committees from other communities:

Wall, grading and cement work were supplied by D. A. Riedel; plumbing and heating by W. J. Burrows; lumber by A. E. Witherell; wood trim by Tessier Bros.; plastering by George E. Carroll; carpentry and fitting by Fred Baxter, aided by John C. Hathaway; roofing by Evans Bros.; painting by Chas. J. Dickinson.

Building and furnishings cost \$7,372.96. Of this \$6,000 came from the Edwards-Thayer endowment; \$200 from a gift by J. Goddard Clark, banker, of San Francisco; \$100 from the State Library Commission; \$35 from Franklin G. Neal, for the lantern; and the remainder from Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Montague. Draperies were given by Mrs. A. J. Plate, Mrs. Franklin G. Neal and Mrs. L. S. Richard; statuary, by Mrs. Plate, Mrs. Richard and Mrs. E. H. Montague; fireplace fixtures by Strong A. Phelps.

After weeding and re-cataloguing under the direction of Miss E. Louise Jones of the Public Libraries division of the Massachusetts Department of Public Education, the books numbered 3,267, including new gifts of nearly 200 and 48 newly purchased.

Book circulation in 1931 was 1,187, an increase of 29 per cent over 1930; magazine circulation was 560, an increase of 16 per cent. The per capita use of library books in Westhampton exceeded that in Northampton last year.

The library has on interest in endowment \$4,700. Its

1931 operating income included \$211.50 from interest and, from the town, \$50 by direct appropriation and \$90.70 from the dog tax. Because of doubled work the salary of the librarian, Mrs. Marion Mascho, has been increased from \$50 to \$100.

Among the additions to books made in 1931 are the "Encyclopedia Brittanica," presented by Franklin G. Neal; 150 volumes and magazines, by L. S. Richard; and "Messages and Papers of the Presidents," by Mrs. Harriet E. Parrish of Chicago. A detailed list of all additions in 1931 may be consulted in the library.

LIVY S. RICHARD,

Sec'y Library Committee.

# Articles in Warrant

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TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1932

Ten O'Clock A. M.—**Prompt**

Article 1—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2—To choose a Town Clerk.

Art. 3—To hear and act on all reports presented at said meeting.

Art. 4—To choose all necessary Officers to serve the ensuing year.

Art. 5—To see if the town will vote to leave the care of highways in charge of the Selectmen.

Art. 6—To see if the town will vote to authorize its Board of Selectmen to appoint one of its members to act as Superintendent of Streets, and fix the salary to comply with Section 4A Chapter 41, General Laws.

Art. 7—To vote in compliance with Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, which requires salaries of elected officers be fixed by vote of the town.

Art. 8—To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges the ensuing year.

Art. 9—To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 10—To see if the town will vote to ratify and confirm the doings of its town officers.

Art. 11—To take action in regard to the collection of taxes.

Art. 12—To see if the town will vote to authorize the

Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the current financial year.

Art. 13—To see if the town will vote to appropriate ~~\$~~ Eight hundred Dollars for tar surfaced road on Route 66 ~~800.00~~ and Loudville road, or take any other action in regard to same.

(Other articles may appear in posted warrant.)





